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Attention: Beverly A. Monroe

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Dear Beverly,

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Chemical Heat Source Comprising Metal Nitride,
Metal Oxide and Carbon
Our File: 31755

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Call Ed Boyer

Thank you for your letter of 11th October. I enclose copies of amended pages 1, 3 to 5, 14 and 21 to 26 which I propose to use for the new applications.

I do not believe that any of the amendments made will raise questions on your part but I should be happy to discuss them with you during my visit, if the need arises. Since I shall not be back in my office until about three weeks before the final date, however, I shall have to have texts sent to Japan and Korea for translation during my absence.

May I take this opportunity of ~~explaining the amendments~~ made on the various pages?

Pages 1, 3 and 4:

The only change on these pages is to replace the U.S. application number with the corresponding European, Japanese or Korean number.

Page 5:

This replaces pages 5 and 6 from the U.S. text. The list of desiderata and the corresponding list of objects do not conform to preferred practice in the territories under consideration. With the telescoping of these two pages, all subsequent pages have been renumbered.

Page 14 (corresponding to U.S. page 15):

This has been expanded by inserting six lines explaining the symbols used in Fig. 3. To avoid the expensive provision of translated drawings I am retaining the English language legend on the drawings for the EPO, but the already existing legend-free versions will come in useful for the European

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translation countries at the issue stage.

Page 21:

This page is expanded to include all the content of the passages deleted from pages 5 and 6.

Pages 22 to 26:

The claims have been rearranged in preferred European order, with the product first and the method afterwards. The number of claims has been reduced as far as possible by the use of multiple dependencies and statements of preference for secondary ranges. In Korea, in particular, there are restrictions on the use of multiple dependencies but there are also significant claim fees, as indeed there are in Japan at the examination request stage. I will be preparing an alternative set of claims with a reduction in the multiplicity of dependencies for use in Korea, but I do not think it would be helpful to revert to the original U.S. format.

With a copy of this letter I am sending copies of the amended pages to Fish & Neave for their information and possible comment.

The formal drawings are on order and copies will be sent when they come to hand.

Yours sincerely,



J. H. Bass

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